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STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE, FITCHBURG, MASS.

Annual Freshman Reception Tonight

COLLEGE DIETICIAN'S BOOK PUBLISHED

"Saliv and Her Kitchens," a career-book by May Worthington, our own college dietitian has just been released by its publishers, Dodd, Mead, and Company. Various women in interesting vocations have been asked by these publishers to write their experiences in a novel for girls, with the aim of interesting their readers in the field of work which the story presents.

The story of Sally Lewis' adventures in home economics parallels to a great extent Miss Worthington's own career. In a veritable splurge of cookery we follow Sally from an Hawaiian school for girls, through a strenuous summer at the "Pudding

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FORTY-FIVE ON PRESIDENT'S LIST

The following 45 students now in attendance at Fitchburg hearty welcome to the new mem-Teachers College received all A and B marks for the semester ending June, 1939, and thus are on the President's list:

Present Senior Class Florence Hazel

He'en Gibson Helen Hartnett Tha Murphy Ruth Lafrennie Virginia Schmidt Barbara Baldwin Viola Bruso Bernice Cleaves Mary Gagnon Mary Gibbons

Ruth Hughes Ursula Jurga Vera Kenney Russell Gearin Mary Shea Edward Donnelly Harry O'Connell William Donovan Alfred Turner

Present Junior Class

C'aire Andrews Eileen Connelly Mary Gibbons Onerva Heikkinen Gilbert Berry

Emily Yauga Warren Weibust Russell Anderson Hubert Edmond Edwin Frye

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Miss May Worthington

NEW TEACHERS GREET CLASSES

THE STICK wishes to extend a bers of our Faculty.

Upon the retirement of Miss Webster in June, the State Board of Education appointed Mrs. Anna Simmons to act as geograony instructor. Mrs. Simmons is not a stranger to the college as

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Remember the Monday night Plebiscite! This is your chance to have your favorite number by your favorite orchestra for the theme song of our one, only, and orginal one piece band.

Dick Kelliher, our ragtime starduster, will announce the winner as soon as the votes have been counted.

DEBUT OF '43 CLASS IN LIBRARY

The Class of 1943-together with the new members of the faculty-will be formally introduced to the social life of the college at the annual Freshman Reception to be held in the college library tonight at 8:00.

Friday, October 6, 1939

Ruth Lagsdin, general chairman for the reception, which officially opens the college social year, has followed the general lines of former receptions in preparing this event. There will be the usual assigning of partners for the freshmen amoung upper classmen, entertainment, and, of course, dancing and refreshments.

The committee has promised unusual entertainment in the form of novelty dancing which they loudly claim will really be entertainment and not merely a chance for resting between dances.

Sub-committees for the event include the following:

Decorations - Virginia Hamilton (ch.,) Paul Deveikis, Nancy Fitzgerald, Hubert Edmonds, (CONTINUED ON PAGE FOUR)

MISS WAYRENEN'S APPOINTMENT OFFICIAL

The appointment of Miss Rauha Wayrynen as secretary to Dr. Herlihy was officially confirmed recently. She has been acting in a secretarial capacity to Dr. Herlihy since April of this err, and has been on Miss Goodfellow's staff since November, 1929. Miss Wayrynen was graduated from Fitchburg High School in the class of 1928, and entered Fitchburg State Teacher's College as a student in September of the same year.

The successor of Miss Wayry-(CONTINUED ON PAGE FOUR)





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To The Freshmen-

You are proud to tell people that you are now going to college-Fitchburg Teachers College. But what are you going to get from your college? What are you going to give to your college? Extra-curricular activity is going to determine to a great extent how you will be able to answer these questions.

You know what F. T. C. has to offer you. You have read in your handbooks about the many organizations and clubs we have here; you were introduced to the officers and to the heads of those same organizations and clubs when the student body gathered in the assembly hall last Thursday; you have heard students speak of and discuss those organizations; and now, your school paper is to tell you that in order to be a part of the college, you must give to the college-give any or all of your talents. And you can give through participation in the extra-curricular activities.

We have students here whose only interest in F. T. C. lies in the classes which they attend. Their day begins with a class and ends with a class. They are the ones who will leave behind nothing by which Fitchburg will remember them.

No matter what your interest is, your college clubs can very efficiently make use of it. Start now to think of the clubs you would like to join. And above all, go out for athletics, for we consider athletics one of the major integrating forces in the school.

This column is not usually used for advertising but this week every student should become acquainted with the FLOP. This is more generally known as the Fitchburg-Learners-Optical-Plan or Project No. .0001.

Now it is time to check your eyes, as college grade work requires a great deal of reading. If you can read the following chart (and make any sense out of it) your eyes-and imaginationare in excellent condition.

FUNEM SVFM FUNEX SVFX OKMNX

(the key to this chart is at end of column)

FAMOUS SAYINGS AT F. T. C.

He who laughs last is a fool for waiting so

The General dried at dawn (someone stole his towel)

He whose laugh lasts, laughs best. All heels are not worn on shoes

ENGLISH LESSON

Example of what a letter home should look like:

Room 41 Palmer Hall September 29, 1939

Dear Dad.

I am well. I am working hard and should get good marks. Please send me \$5.00 because the books are costing more than I expected.

Give my love to mother and brother and sister.

Love.

Nick Parka

P. S. Don't forget to send the money as I need it right away.

P. P. S. Please send me an extra \$2 because the soccer games start soon and we may have to pay to see them.

Nick

Answer to chart.

Have you any ham Yes we have ham Have you any eggs Yes we have eggs OK ham and eggs.

Good day?



A melody has blossomed and blown away

Carried on a gentle breath, A strain of music was born today And claimed by One who rules birth and death.

A melody more beautiful could not be.

Ewect, gracious, loved by all, Our eyes brinded, we cannot see Why a star should ever fall.

Soft note, hermonious chord, She knew them everyone. She searched and found the Perfect Chord.

Her earthly toil is done.

Comes night after dawn.

A heavenly place she had to fill We found our leader gone.

Barbara Baldwin.

HEALTH DEPT. GIVES AUDIOMETER TEST

How's your hearing? According to the hearing test given last week by means of the audiometer the students of F.T. C. have very good hearing. There are only six girls to be retested because of low scores. The boys, however, are not quite as good on the average. There are eighteen boys to be retested.

A perfect score on these tests is a -3 in both ears. The score is based on the number of vibrations. That is the vibrations decrease three sensation units with each number; thus, the last number in the column has -3 vibra- this type.

ANNUAL PLAY NOW IN REHEARSAL

Rehearsals for the Dramatic Club play, "Death Takes a Holiday," are being held regularly. Miss Nixon, faculty advisor of the Dramatic Club and coach of the play, is delighted with the spirit and effort of the cast.

"Death Takes a Holiday" is one of the most ambitious productions undertaken by the club. A translation from the Italian by Walter Ferris, it ranks with former college successes, including "Servant In The House," "The Late Christopher Bean," and "Kind Lady."

Sirkka Waris, Warren Wiebust, Mary Ward, Ursula Mulcahy, Beverly O'Donnell, He'en Gibson, Herbert Downs, Dorothy. Hackett, Thomas Sweeney, John Murphy, John Mulski, and Frank Onischuck make up the cast.

The play ran for two seasons in New York and has been produced by many workshop and little theater groups. Its theme is thought-provoking and it promises rich entertainment.

The committee for the produc-Hearts are heavy, song is stilled, tion has been selected, and is as follows:

> Stage-John Gemma (ch.,) Ralph Grey, Roger Pauze; Advertising-Helen Gibson (ch.,) Bert Bennett: Business Managers -Russell Gearan (ch.,) Dorothy Hackett; Properties-Adele Lach (ch..) Eileen O'Neil.

tions. A score of 6 or above is retested to be sure that the low score was due to hearing difficulty and not extraneous sounds or nervousness on the part of the person.

In checking these tests, if two digits of the number are right the number is correct. Also, if a number is written backwards it is called correct. The test is scored in this way because of the many outside influences which enter into the taking of a test of



Little he asked, his wishes few He wanted only peace and fun A topic to talk on when day was done

A conquest to be, a victory won.

Plainness was plenty good for him

Envy in him could not survive

He wanted only peace and fun And thank heaven, just to be alive

Thus humbly did he live and die. No cloud of fear ever dimmed his eve

Countless blessing had he from

Death for him, a mere passing bv.

Forty-Five Students

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE) Beverly O'Donnell Theodore Laubner John Mulski Sirkka Waris Ralph Prearson

Present Sophomore Class Carl Bowman Raymond Farguhar Ralph Gray Evelyn Mucha

Helen Rice

Thomas Moran Vincent Palermo Robert Patch William Burns William Konsavage

Campus Barber

Patronized by Edward Everett Horton and Michael Whalen of Screen Fame

Opposite Miller Hall

MISS COLEMAN, MR. FOTH ASSEMBLY ATTRACTIONS

Mr. Foth, our new instructor in English and History, gave an excellent lecture entitled "A pictorial Tour of Our Nation's Capitol" at the assembly on Tuesday, October 3. Starting with the background of the building of our capitol, Mr. Foth carried us up to the present day.

Our capitol was planned on the present site after much delibreation among the congressmen. When it was finally decided to have the city somewhere along the Fotomac River George Washington took a trip along the river and decided upon the present location. Maryland and Virginia were to contribute heavily toward the building of the capitol.

Washington engaged Charles Pierre Lafonte, an architect, to plan and build the city. Lafonte planned a spacious city with boulevards one hundred and ten feet wide. Although his plans were not fully carried out, the city was started in 1793.

Lafonte, through his eagerness to do good work, had a piece of property removed that was in his way and thus lost his command. In 1800 the government moved to Washington. Years were needed to make the city what it is today.

Mr. Foth showed some of his slides which he took while on a tour of the city.

Christine Coleman, introduced by Dr. Herlihy, gave an interpretation of the play "The First Lady" by Catherine Dayton and George Kaufman, at the September 26 assembly. The play is set in the home of the Secretary of State in Washington, D. C. Through plots and intrigues it shows the schemes of the women when they try to elevate their husbands to the presidency.

Miss Coleman held her audience by her fine presentation and through a good use of her voice imitated all the characters very effectively.

NEW COACH GREETS SOCCER TEAM

Soccer practice was called last Tuesday, Sept. 19, by our new coach, Mr. Kulcinski.

With the aid of Walter Vorce, captain, and



manager, a fine season is expected.

However lots of responsibily rests on the

Rowe Nevin,

rests on the shoulders of our coach and captain. Replacements are needed to fill in vacancies caused by graduation this past June.

Rowe Nevin

ponded to the coach's call to practise.

The following players have retuned from last year's squad.

Vorse Gray
Berry Tasca
English Shinner
Hansen Moran
Smith Roberts
Loiko Williamson
Miller Burns

O'Connell Donovan
New prospects from this year's
Freshman class are:

Ruby Amsler Santos Wood Cunningham

The schedule, with additional games pending, is as follows:
Oct. 7—Alumni*

Oct. 11—Arnold*

Oct. 23—J. V. at Nichols J. C.* Oct. 28—A. I. C. at Springfield Nov. 1—Springfield*

*—Home Games

Miss Wayrenen's (CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE)

nen is Miss Helen Bachelder who has been employed in Miss Goodfellow's office since July of this year. Miss Bachelder is a graduate of Townsend High School in the class of 1934 and of Fitchburg Business College in 1938.

MR. CARPENTER, RAY LOWE HEAD DORM

The men living in Palmer Hall are most fortunate in having Mr. Carpenter undertake the duties of faculty sponsor this year.

Through their association with him the men look forward to a thoroughly enjoyable year of dormitory activity. He has already proved that ne is an able leader of men and through this leadership he should gain not only a greater prestage for the school, but also the wholehearted and willing support of every one in the hall, from our freshmen to our seniors.

The men also wish to extend to Mrs. Carpenter a very cordial welcome and sincerely hope that her stay here will be a long and pleasant one. With the spirit in which sne joined in the dorm's first meeting Mrs. Carpenter showed that she wishes to be considered by the men as a real friend. Our best wishes to you, Mrs. Carpenter!

The new proctor, Ray Lowe, is well known to everyone. It is certain that in his hands our new regulations will be adhered to and our social functions will be carried on efficiently with all abundance of pleasure for all.

Debut Of '43

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Richard Finn, Ralph Whiting; Music—John Murphy (ch..) Kenneth Sweeney, Raymond Stanley, Ursula Mulcahy, William Roberts; Invitations—Edward Donnelly (ch..) Rowe Nevin, Lawrence Colson; Refreshments—Ruth Lagsdin (ch..) Dorothy Sears, Dorothy Dahlquist, Mary Gagnon, Clair Andrews, Bernice Cleaves.

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Campus Chatter

Welcome back to Teachers College Eds and Coeds-we certainly had a nice first week on campus -the Frosh kept us busy checking up on them and their activities-with Mr. Carpenter in the driver's seat, Palmer Hall should remain "on the wagon" this year -with Ray Lowe as student proctor there shouldn't be so much agriculture (cane raising) going on in Palmer-the General ('42) figures that if he keeps up his reputation of last year for two more years, he will have a good chance of being proctorif any more people should want to live at the college, I'm afraid that they'd have to start putting beds in the greenhouse-they tell us that Beni. Freeman was in bed at 8 o'clock every nite during Summer School. Who were you being true to, Ben?-the Summer group had Larry C. blowing up balloons for their dance, which shows that they weren't so dumb -the Frosh are coming along pretty well with the Alma Mater. We wonder how some of the upperclassmen are doing!-almost forgot, have you noticed the change in Al Turner? Must be "Owens" to training, non-Mayo tells me that the bunch of girls up here this year are quite different. If he has Faith, he needn't worry about the bunch-So let's close with an ancient Chinese proverb-A man in condition is worth two that are bushed.

From the training school comes this one:

The student teacher was trying to help her class of fifth graders to get some ideas of things that happen in the Fall so that they could write a few sentences about such events. The class was talking a bout football games when one little boy raised his hand, stood up and said, "Fall makes me think of 'refresh-

ments' at the Teachers College." The student trainer was quite puzzled and asked him to explain, whereupon the boy made himself clear by saying that he sees them downtown and everywhere with their green ties and hows.

The following is a bit of advice to the freshman from one of the upperclassmen who recently acquired a 'poetic-license.'

To The Freshmen

O hail to the low creatures! With greeny bows and ties, If you're our future teachers, Heaven help the wise.

But welcome here to Fitchburg And do the best you can, Which will be the poorest

showing That was ever made by man.

For really, in my memory (Which is often black as nite) I don't believe I ever Recall a less promising sight.

So listen now, my fledglings And hear you some advice Which will lead to understand-

ings And free your heads from lice.

Remember first, most lowly, Of all the freshman rules, To respect your upperclassmen For you are only fools.

And don't forget the "Yes sir" Or "No Mam" to the girls Since you are only freshmen The lowest type of churls.

Be sure your ties are straight, men

And lassies wear your bows Or the Emphasis Committee Will multiply your woes.

Now learn your Alma Mater And keep within your place For your dire, unwholesome presence

Would disgrace the human race.

But cheer up you wretched creatures

In a week, or two, or three You may reach the lowest level Of Dillon two and three.

LIST OF TRAINERS FOR SEMESTER

Those in training this semester are:

Edgerly

Miss Wingate—Frances McCarthy and Thomas Passios. Miss Johnson—Mildred Cool-

idge and Edith Preston.

Miss Quattlander—Elizabeth

O'Connor and Eva Trafton.

Mrs. Smith—Mary Ward, Helvi
Winturri, and Mary Owens.

Dillon

drich.

Miss Gearan—Louise Baldwin and Ben Mason.

Miss Mahoney—Priscilla Leighton, Mary Shea, and Dorothy Sears.

Miss Hollis—Nellie Meskinis and Ruth Lagsdin.

Junior High School

Mr. Healy—Joan Buckley. Mr. Underwood—Lester Al-

Mr. Knowles—Edith Tiilikkala.
Mr. Clark—Virginia Schmidt.
Miss Cunningham—Donald
Johnson

Miss Dean—Walter Vorse.
Miss White—Ruth Lafrennie.

Practical Arts (on campus)

Mr. Hammond—Howard Hill and Alfred Turner.

Mr. Landall—Parker Matthews Mr. Hague—Lawrence Colson.

Practical Arts (off campus)

Leominster Junior High—Elton Aykroyd.

Leominster Vocational School
—Thomas Sweeney and Henry
Palmer.

Gardner High School—Herbert. Downs.

Townsend High School—Bill Donovan.

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GAVELEERS ELECT NEW OFFICERS

Burleigh Loveitt was elected president of the Gaveleers at the meeting which was held Monday evening, Sept. 25. As Burleigh had previously been vice-president of the society, this new election created another vacancy in the list of office holders. John Murphy was elected to fill this position. The office of secretary was also filled with the selection of Leo Gittzus to take the minutes of the coming meetings. With the exception of Blair Mac-Lean, Jr. as treasurer of the society, these elections made up a new group of officers.

The social committee will be headed by Herbert Downs for the first semester and John Murnhy for the second semester. Plans are now being made for the Gaveleer open night which is to be held Monday, October 16.

College Dietitian

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ran" and a year's work for her master's degree, to chief dietary work in a boys' school.

Among the interesting characters Miss Worthington introduces are Ah Mon, chief cook and sage advicor in the Hawaiian kitchen, Miss Lyman, cultured tea-room proprietor, and Alex Merrill, who provides the romantic element in the story.

Especially will you enjoy Ah Mon's dry comments on life and love.

The pen and ink illustrations by Marguerite Bryan add greatly to the attractiveness of the book.

Your mouth will water at the many allusions to well-prepared food with which Miss Worthington has sprinkled her story.

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SOPHOMORE DANCE OCTOBER 27

Plans for the Sophomore Dance, to be held on October 27, are progressing rapidly. Many important details have already been completed, and the committee promises an affair that none will care to miss.

Paste that date in your hat— October 27, in the college library.

New Teachers

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she has for many years taught in our junior high school. She received her B.Ed. erd A.M. degrees at Clark University and has had wide experience in her field. She has taken advanced courses at Harvard.

his. Coson has been granted a leave of absence to further his studies at Columbia University, and Mr. Charles Foth is filling his position in the college. Mr. Foth received his B.A. from Amherst College and later his M.A. in history from the same college. He has studied at Columbia University. For nine years he has acted as head of the history department in Amherst High School.

The vacancy created by Miss Eldridge's death is being filled by Miss Helen Curry, who taught music for two years in the school system of Chelsea, and who acted as music supervisor in Gloucester for a number of years. Miss Curry received her B.S. from Boston University where she specialized in music.

Mr. Louis Kulcinski holds a bachelor's degree from University of Illinois and a master's from University of Michigan. He has had a varied teaching experience having supervised athletics in Illinois and directed sports at Michigan co-leges. He was state director of physical education in Illinois for several years.

Miss Veda Dean, new geography supervisor in the junior high school, received her B.A. degree from State Teacher's College, Valley City, North Dakota, and has completed her study for the

W.A.A. NEWS

The upperclassmen became better acquainted with the Freshmen during a hike sponsored by the W. A. A. on Thursday, September 21, under the direction of Nellie Meskinis, head of hiking.

The girls hiked enthusiastical'y for one hour as the freshmen were introduced to the friendly spirit and cooperation so predominant in the W. A. A.

The Women's Athletic Associations of the Massachusetts State Teachers Colleges will hold a conference in Fitchburg, November 10 and 11. The conference is held at this college once in five years. Two delegates from each of the eight Teacher's Colleges will be present.

The theme of the conference is co-educational recreation. A complete program from Thursday through Saturday is being planned.

master's degree from the School of Geography, Clark University. Miss Dean has travelled throughout the United States and Canada and brings a first-hand knowledge of her subject to her position. She has taught formerly in Rugby Junior High School, Rugby, North Dakota, which city is the exact center of North America.

Miss Elizabeth Hollis is filling the vacancy at the Dillon School created by Miss McConnell's retirement. Miss Hollis received her B.S. in Ed. degree from Boston University and has done graduate work there. She specialized in remedial reading and has taught in Weymouth and Needham.

Ladies and Gentlemen First Class Hair Cuts Boulder Barber Shop

Next door to the College Spa